

EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TRAINING

SENATE LEGISLATION COMMITTEE - QUESTIONS ON NOTICE 2004-2005 SUPPLEMENTARY BUDGET ESTIMATES HEARING

Outcome:

Output Group:

DEST Question No. E368_05

Senator Nettle provided in writing.

Question:

Please provide details of all agreements made with Dr Struve upon cessation of employment with ANSTO in relation to non-disclosure, intellectual property rights,

Answer:

Silex Systems Limited

ANSTO has provided the following response.

On commencement with the Australian Atomic Energy Commission on 11 February 1970, Dr Struve signed an affirmation to bear true allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II and also an Affirmation of Secrecy.

On 24 February 1998, a letter was handed to Dr Struve outlining processes for his retirement. The letter, which was in a standard form, reminded him that he had signed an Affirmation of Secrecy on his commencement day, and noted:

“Except as permitted by law, you have an obligation not to divulge, communicate or give access to any intellectual property, information or documentation which you have had access to by virtue of your employment with ANSTO”.